

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: John E. Sims and Dirk E. Smith

Docket No.: 0317-US

Serial No.: 09/763,498

Filing Date: May 15, 2001

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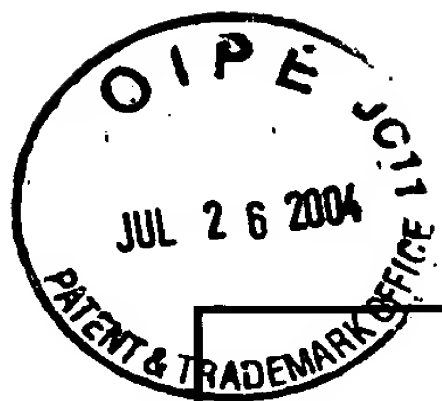
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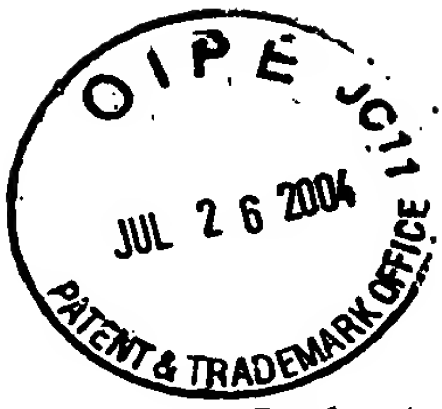
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Sir:

In response to an Advisory Action having a mailing date March 25, 2004, Applicants request that the claims be amended as described, and reconsidered. Applicants thank the Examiner for the opportunity to discuss amendments to the claims that would place them in better form for allowance on July 23, 2004.

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.
- **Conclusions** begin on page 8 of this paper